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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is the patent application of

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FOR: AUCTION METHODS, AUCTION SYSTEMS AND SERVERS

Enclosed are:

- [X] Specification and Abstract 270 pages.
- [X] Drawings 73 sheets (Figs. 1-76C).
- [X] Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- [X] Certified copies of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2000-193457, 2000-302727, and 2000-356812 to which the above-identified U.S. patent application corresponds.
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 with copies of 3 cited references.
- [ ] Assignment papers.
- [ ] CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, and Compact Disc Transmittal.
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Basic Fee			\$355	OR	\$710
Total Claims	121 - 20	= 101	x 9 = \$909	OR	x 18 = \$
Independent Claims	12 - 3	= 9	x 40 = \$360	OR	x 80 = \$
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- [X] A check in the amount of \$1,624.00 to cover the filing fee is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.
- [X] This application claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-193457, filed June 27, 2000; Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-302727, filed October 2, 2000; and Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-356812, filed November 22, 2000.

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